of the highway department of either of such States shall, at any time within three years after the completion of such bridge, investigate such costs and determine the accuracy and the reasonableness of the costs alleged in the statement of costs so filed, and shall make a finding of the actual and reasonable costs of constructing, financing, and promoting such bridge; for the purpose of such investigation the said American Bridge and Ferry Company (Incorporated), its successors and assigns, shall make available all of its records in connection with the construction, financing, and promotion thereof. The findings of the Secretary of War as to the reasonable costs of the construction, financing, and promotion of the bridge shall be con-conclusive clusive for the purposes mentioned in section 4 of this Act, subject only to review in a court of equity for fraud or gross mistake.

Sec. 7. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the conferred. rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Act, is hereby granted to the American Bridge and Ferry Company (Incorporated), its successors and assigns, and any corporation to which or any person to whom such rights, powers, and privileges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or who shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon

such corporation or person.

SEC. 8. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby ex-

pressly reserved.

Approved, March 10, 1928.

Findings of Secretary

Right to sell, etc.,

Amendment.

CHAP. 188.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the State of Alabama to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Conecuh River on the Brewton-Andalusia Road in Escambia County, Alabama.

March 10, 1928. [H. R. 8896.] [Public, No. 143.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the highway department of the in Escambia County. State of Alabama to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Conecuh River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, on the Brewton-Andalusia Road in Escambia County, in the State of Alabama, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906. SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby

Conecuh River.

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Amendment.

expressly reserved. Approved, March 10, 1928

CHAP. 189.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the highway department of the State of Alabama to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Coosa River at or near Pell City on the Pell City-

Anniston Road between Calhoun and Saint Clair Counties, Alabama.

March 10, 1928. [H. R. 9064.] [Public, No. 144.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the highway department of the State of Alabama to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Coosa River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Pell City on the Pell City-Anniston Road between Calhoun and Saint Clair Counties, in the State of Alabama, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Coosa River. labama may bridge, at Pell City.

> Construction Vol. 34, p. 84.

Former Act repealed. Vol. 44, p. 221, repealed.

SEC. 2. The Act of Congress approved March 22, 1926, granting the consent of Congress to the highway department of the State of Alabama to construct a bridge across the Coosa River at or near Pell City, Alabama, is hereby repealed.

Amendment.

SEC. 3. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 10, 1928.

March 10, 1928. [H. R. 9139.] [Public, No. 145.]

CHAP. 190.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the highway department of the State of Tennessee to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Cumberland River on the Lafayette-Celina Road in Clay County, Tennessee.

Cumberland River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent Tennessee may of Congress is hereby granted to the highway department of the State of Tennessee to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Cumberland River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, on the Lafayette-Celina Road in Clay County, in the State of Tennessee, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

Sec. 2. If tolls are charged for the use of such bridge, the rates

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Rates of toll to pro-vide for operation, sink-ing fund, etc.

Maintenance as free bridge, etc., on amor-tizing costs.

Record of expenditures and receipts.

Amendment.

of toll shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund sufficient to pay the reasonable cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches under economical management, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the cost of the bridge and its approaches, including reasonable interest and financing cost, as soon as possible under reasonable charges, but within a period of not to exceed twenty-five years from the completion thereof. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls, or the rates of toll shall thereafter be so adjusted as to provide a fund of not to exceed the amount necessary for the proper maintenance, repair, and operation of the bridge and its approaches under economical management. An accurate record of the costs of the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, and of the daily tolls collected, shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

SEC. 3. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 10, 1928.

March 10, 1928. [H. R. 9849.] [Public, No. 146.]

CHAP. 191.—An Act To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Quincy, Illinois.

Mississippi River. Time extended for bridging, by Quincy,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Quincy, Illinois, authorized to be built by the city of Quincy by Act of Congress approved February 1, Vol. 1055, 1927, be, and the same are hereby, extended one and three years 44, p.

respectively from the date of approval hereof.

amended.

Amendment.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 10, 1928.